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1. OPORTO CITIZENS APPEAR TO HAVE SPENT A NORMAL DAY OCT 9 AND THERE IS NO APPARENT CHANGE IN THE PRESENT STAND-OFF BETWEEN SUV ELEMENTS HEADQUARTERED AT RASP AND BG VELOSO WHO REPORTEDLY WAS AT HIS HEADQUARTERS. ALL TROOPS SEEM TO BE CONFINED TO QUARTERS. A REFUGEE SOURCE TOLD ME THAT THERE ARE ABOUT 300 MEN AT RASP ABOUT 100 OF WHOM ARE CIVILIAN FUR ELEMENTS.

2. FUR HAS SCHEDULED AN "ANTI-FASCIST" RALLY TONIGHT IN DOWNTOWN OPORTO WHICH MIGHT MEAN TROUBLE FOR MILITARY UNITS LOYAL TO BG VELOSO WHO ARE GUARDING CICAP AGAINST REOCCUPATION BY "REVOLUTIONARY FORCES" AS OF 5PM GUARDS APPEARED TO BE STANDING FIRM.

3. ALL SOURCES AGREE THAT CONFRONTATION IS FAR FROM OVER. CURRENT THINKING IS THAT VELOSO STILL HAS ENOUGH LOYAL TROOPS TO REASSERT CONTROL IN OPORTO IF HE RECEIVED ORDERS TO DO SO.

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